

REMARKS

The above amendment is made to claim 42 to remove any implication that the locking plate must be in physical contact with the frame. Entry is respectfully requested.

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MARKED-UP CLAIMS

42. (Twice Amended) A method according to claim 38
wherein said holder comprises a frame pivotally mounted to a
rotor of said centrifuge, and said centrifuge further comprises
a movable locking plate that is movable between free and
locking positions, wherein said plate engages said frame to
allow allows said container to assume said first orientation
when in said free position and to hold holds said container in
said predetermined position when in said locking position.